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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

New Orleans Cotton Exchange reports total receipts of cotton at all points since September 1st, 8,312,944 bales. —— General Roberts reports an engagement with the Boers near Brandfort. —— Boers bombarded the British camp near Warrenton, and the latter evacuated the place. —— The funeral of General Joubert was attended by all the foreign military attaches, in uniform. —— The French army in North Africa achieved a victory over the Arabs. —— Two men injured, one fatally, in a collision of trains near Ocala, Fla. —— Two men convicted of murdering a countryman, were hanged in Manila by U. S. authorities. —— Tom Jones, the negro preacher, at Raleigh, sentenced to be hanged May 11th. —— Judge Robinson petitioned not to hold court at Mocksville, N. C., on account of prevalence of smallpox. —— At Wilson, N. C, last night, J. D. Farrior shot a negro named Hunt. —— It is rumored that Representative Linney will be the Republican candidate for Governor of North Carolina. —— Steamship Old Dominion damaged by fire. —— Kruger warns women and children to leave Bloemfontein, as he intends to bombard and destroy the city. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady, actual transactions at 3@4½ per cent., the last loan being at 4½ per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 9⅝c; flour was firm but quiet; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 88½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 45¾c oats—spot quiet, No. 2 28½c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1.70; spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 30.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 61 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 73 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees; mean, 62 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 12; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 3.16 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 9. feet.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON March 30.—For North Carolina—Fair Saturday and Sunday; fresh north to west winds.

Port Almanac—March 31.

Sun Rises	5.48 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.21 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H.32 M.
High Water at Southport	8.28 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	10.58 P. M.

"An ignominious, cruel farce" is what the New York *Herald* calls the Porto Rican tariff business. But the Porto Ricans don't see any fun in that kind of farces.

Missourians are organizing colonies to settle in Mexico. Two hundred thousand acres of land has been recently purchased in Chihuahua for a colony of 400.

What's the use of all these expeditions in pursuit of the north pole? Joseph Zolique La Joye, a Canadian trapper, says he has found it, but he left it just where it was."

"The man with the hoe" has been here some time. Not long ago a prehistoric hoe was dug up in Mississippi. It was made out of a fine quality of flint rock, and showed artistic workmanship.

A Massachusetts Congressman wants Congress to chip in $100,000 to help Massachusetts make war on the Gypsy moth. But Massachusetts had better first devise some plan to prevent the moth pursuers from incubating moths to hold their jobs.

Prominent Pender Citizen Dead.

Mr. F. T. Croom, of Burgaw, who arrived in the city last evening brought news of the death of Mr. J. P. Stringfield, of that town, which occurred yesterday morning at his home after a few days illness with la grippe. Mr. Stringfield was 60 years of age and has been Register of Deeds of his county for the past twelve years. He was a faithful and efficient officer and was one of the most influential citizens of Pender. He was an ex Confederate soldier and fought valiantly for the cause of the South in the civil war. The funeral will take place this afternoon and the interment will be made at the family burying ground near Burgaw.

Pythian Team Rehearsal.

The Rank Work team for the District meeting of the K. of P. in this city April 10th, will have a special rehearsal this evening and members of the same are urgently requested to be in attendance. Great preparations are being made for the event by the local Pythians, of which there are many, and it is proposed to make it the most interesting of all similar events that have been held in the State this year.

Rev. Mr. Gillespie Here.

Rev. E. E. Gillespie, of Greensboro, superintendent of the Synodical Evangelistic Committee, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon over the Seaboard Air Line and is being entertained by Mr. W. M. Cumming, on Church street. To-morrow morning and evening Rev. Mr. Gillespie will occupy the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health is called for this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

— The revenue cutter *Algonquin* arrived in port yesterday shortly after noon from a cruise along the Carolina coast.

— Only 52½ to 53 cents was bid for spirits turpentine on the local market yesterday. Receipts were 49 casks. Cotton is unchanged at 9½ cents for middling.

— John Henderson, colored, paid a fine of $5 in the municipal court yesterday for throwing missiles in the street at Front street market house on Thursday afternoon.

— The Summer cars of the Wilmington Street Railway Company are being handsomely re painted and repaired for the excursion travel during the coming season.

— The steamer *A. J. Johnson* arrived from Clear Run yesterday morning and cleared early in the afternoon for the return. The *Hurt* was in from Fayetteville as usual and cleared in the evening for the return trip.

— Policeman Ward last night arrested a negro seaman of the revenue cutter *Algonquin*, who was drunk and disorderly on Second between Market and Princess streets. He will be tried in the municipal court this morning.

— The friends of Mr. Leger Meyer will deeply sympathize with him in the loss of his wife, whose death occurred yesterday afternoon at the City Hospital, where she had been for treatment. The funeral will probably take place to-day.

— Benjamin Robinson, colored, was arrested yesterday morning at the instance of W. H. H. Todd, for doing scavenger work in the Eighth District without license. He was tried at the municipal court and given twenty days in the guard house, in default of fine.

— The remains of the late John E. Niemeyer, which were interred in Oakdale Cemetery, were removed to Raleigh this week and re-interred in the cemetery there beside his wife, Mrs. Rachel Niemeyer, whose death was announced in these columns some time ago.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Mercer & Evans—Just received.
New Savings Bank—Don't forget.
Star Course—Rogers-Grilley Recitals

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Good baker.
Wanted—Male demonstrators.

THE CAPE FEAR IMPROVEMENT.

Board of Survey Progressing Nicely Near Fayetteville—Capt. Schubert Here.

Capt. Schubert, who is in charge of the corps of engineers engaged in making a survey of the Cape Fear river between Wilmington and Fayetteville, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

About fourteen miles of the survey have been completed from Fayetteville this way and very good progress is being made. The engineers and their assistants have improvised quarters on a river flat which is moved from place to place down the stream as the proximity to their work demands and the depth of the water at different points, lay of the channel, etc., is staked off as the survey proceeds.

STAR readers will remember that upon a recommendation of the board of survey largely depends the extent of the improvement to the river that will be provided for at the next session of Congress in making up the river and harbor appropriation bill. It is proposed to try for an appropriation sufficiently large to secure a uniform depth in the channel of from six to eight feet. The Chamber of Commerce of Fayetteville was largely instrumental in bringing about a survey of the proposed improvement and that body, after the survey, will bring strong pressure to bear on Congress for an adequate appropriation to meet the ends desired. In its efforts, the Fayetteville body of business men has secured the co-operation and endorsement of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and it is confidently expected that very material improvements will be undertaken by the government.

The Athletic Association.

With Spring time comes a revival of enthusiasm in the National game—base ball—and the local "cranks" are inquiring about the team the Wilmington Athletic Association will put in the field this year. The association was formed late in last season and as a result of its organization, admirers of this branch of outdoor sport were treated to some really good games last year.

The association, the STAR learns, has a very creditable sum to its credit already and the officers will soon begin arrangements to sign up a first class team for the season. It may be a month or more before the nine is definitely selected, but the public is assured that Wilmington will be to the front with a team second to none in the State when the season is fairly on.

Carolina Yacht Club.

At a meeting of the Governing Board of the Carolina Yacht Club Thursday evening the Regatta committee for the season was named as follows: Mr. M. S. Willard, (chairman), Mr. A. S. Williams and Mr. W. A. Wright. Mr. J. F. Gause was appointed superintendent of the Club House and Mr. J. P. Walton was re-elected janitor.

TRADE COSMORAMA.

Delightful Entertainment by Local Talent Last Evening in the Opera House.

THE AUDIENCE WELL PLEASED

Successful Event Arranged and Presented for Benefit of First Baptist Church Choir—List of Firms Portrayed in the Advertisement.

The Cosmorama of Trade and Art as presented last night at the Opera House for the benefit of the choir of the First Baptist church, was an elaborate and magnificent production, teeming with brilliant and splendid scenic effects, which probably have never before been eclipsed in an amateur performance in Wilmington.

The large audience present at frequent intervals manifested its marked appreciation of the splendid production by continued applause and the entertainment was therefore successful from every point of view.

The affair was arranged by a committee consisting of Miss Lizzie Struthers, Miss Nellie Platt, Miss May Morrill, Miss Pearl Wescott and Mr. E. G. Woody, assisted by Mr. J. H. Gerls, of Chicago, and to them and the beautiful and graceful young ladies, who presented the cosmorama in such a pleasing and delightful manner, is due the splendid success of the entertainment.

The cosmorama, as its name suggests, was a view of the world of trade and art from a local view point, and represented in a beautiful manner the industrial, commercial and manufacturing interests of the city.

The young ladies, who represented the various firms, were attired in beautiful and appropriate costumes, artistically made and eminently exhibiting the different interests advertised. As a pleasant diversion living pictures were presented at different intervals, portraying the characteristics of life. The pose of "Faith, Hope and Charity" attracted particular attention, and was indeed the most beautiful of all the pictures. Several novelties were introduced, among them a horse shoeing scene. Then, too, there was tooth pulling, shaving and other practical features, which made the entertainment highly enjoyable, pleasing and at times amusing.

It would be unjust to discriminate in naming any of the especially appropriate or pleasing specialties and for this reason, the different firms represented and the young ladies portraying the same are simply printed below.

The banner girls and boys were Misses Merl McEachern, Annie Wilkinson, Kate and Mattie Patterson, Mamie Mitchell, Blanche Penny, Mabel Craft, Bessie Whitney, Alma May Bain, Masters Dave Struthers and Earl Penny and splendidly did each one perform the duties to which they were assigned.

The cast of the entertainment was as follows:

NEWSPAPERS.

The Dispatch—Miss Emma Cook.
The Messenger—Miss Lottie Smith.
THE STAR—Miss Julia Morrill.

GROCERY STORES—WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

J. C. Stevenson Co.—Mrs. Bonan.
Adrian Co.—Miss Bertha Swinson.
Brooks & Taylor—Miss Beatrice Presson.
C. E. Collins—Miss Mamie Morrill.
Vollers & Hashagen—Miss Stolter.
Worth & Worth—Miss Kate Presson.
Hall & Pearsall—No display.
D. L Gore Co.—Miss Sudie Mills.
Sternberger Bros.—Miss Lena Cook.
W. B. Cooper—Mrs. Lydia Bloom.
S. W. Sanders—Miss Blanche Chadwick.

THE SHOE STORES.

Greenewald's—Mrs. Burkheimer.
Solomon's Shoe Store—Miss May Walsh
Mercer & Evans—Miss Mary Swinson.

DRY GOODS STORES.

The Johnson Dry Goods Co.—Miss Nettie Davis.
Racket Store—Miss Alice Smith.
The C. W. Polvogt Co.—Miss Leila McIver.
Morris Bear & Bro.—Miss Daisy McEachern.
Rheinstein Dry Goods Co.—Miss Lulu McIntire.
Geo. O. Gaylord's Branch Store— ——
I. M. Bear & Co.—Miss Lizzie Gibson.
J. H. Rheder & Co.—Miss Daisy Kipp.

THE JEWELLERS.

J. T. Burke—Mrs. Burke.
Dingelhoef Bros.—Miss Lucy Baldwin.
V. Zoeller & Co.—Miss Annie Taylor.
G. W. Huggins—Miss Florence Whitney.
Geo. Honnet—Miss Annie Taylor.

DRUG STORES.

Jos. C. Shepard—Miss Hattie Burkheimer.
J. Hicks Bunting—Miss Maude Paddidison.
Wm. Niestlie—Miss Katie Fick.

BOOKS AND STATIONERY.

C. W. Yates & Co.—Miss Daisy Woodbury.
R. C. DeRosset—Miss Janet Betts.

LAUNDRIES.

Charlie Sing—Miss Janie Farrow.
Wilmington Steam Laundry—Miss Irene Simpson.

BICYCLE DEALERS.

Yopp & Helms—Mrs. Geo. Hewlette.
Carolina Bicycle Shop—Miss Stella Meredith.

FRUITS, CANDY, ETC.

Jno. W. Plummer, Jr.—Miss Julia Farrow.
A. S. Winstead—Miss Ruth Keen.
Andrew Mavronichols—Miss Maggie Wilkinson.

LIVERY.

S. P. Cowan Livery Company—Miss Lillie Horne.
F. T. Mills—Miss Rena Mills.

JOB PRINTING OFFICES.

S. G. Hall—Miss Margaret Wiggs.
LeGwin Bros.—Miss Helen Powers.

HARDWARE DEALERS.

Chas. D. Foard—Miss Louise Hints.
J. W. Murchison & Co.—Miss Dora Hopkins.

LUMBER COMPANIES.

Chadbourn Lumber Co.—Miss Laura Swinson.
Hilton Lumber Co.—Miss Mamie McIntire.
The Fore & Foster Co.—Miss Sibyl Hancock.

COTTON MILLS.

Wilmington Cotton Mills—Miss Mary Etna.
Delgado Cotton Mills—Mrs. Elsie Woody.

THE FEED STORES.

J. S McEachern—Miss Banner.
B. F. Mitchell Co.—Miss Bessie Montgomery.

MEAT MARKETS.

Palace Market—Miss Nellie Platt.
I. B. Rhodes—Miss Isabel Struthers.

MISCELLANEOUS.

I. Shrier—Miss Sarah Stuart.
S. A. L. Ry.—Miss Lavinia Gillican.
Roger Moore, Bricks, Paints—Miss Meppie Woodcock.
J. A. Springer & Co., Coal & Wood—Miss May Whitney.
H. A. Tucker, Marble—Tableau.
Chas. M. Whitlock, Machinery—Miss Daisy Sutton.
M. W. Divine & Co., Paints—Miss Mattie Hawes.
Singer M'f'g Co.—Miss Ida Black.
Sneed Furniture Co.—Miss Lillie Bell McLaurin.
W. M. Cumming, Real Estate—Miss Sallie Ennett.
Gas Co., Electric—Miss Olivia Sutton.
R. W. Hicks, Molasses—Miss Sadie Sloan.
R. W. Hicks, Vinegar—Miss Julia Sutton.
B. F. Keith, Shingles—Miss Pinkie Jones.
C. D. Maffitt, Chandler—Miss Lizzie Stokley.
Walker Taylor & Metts, Insurance—Tableau.
Burr & Bailey, Plumbing—Miss Annie Platt.
R. F. Hammie, Hatter—Miss Minnie Boone.
Ludden & Bates, Music—Miss Lizzie Struthers.
T. Quinlivan (blacksmith)—Miss Florrie King.
Atlantic National Bank—Miss Nettie Davis.
J. Wallace Alderman (contractor)—no display.
Mrs. Henry Rehder (florist)—Miss Carrie White.
Carolina Ice Company—Miss Bessie Taylor.
Atlantic Electric Company—Miss Nellie Thornton.
Wm. Tinken (barber)—Miss Gertrude Wessel.

STATUARY.

Miss Mattie Strauss, Miss Lillie Culbreth, Mrs. Cora Horne, Miss Mariana Gillican, Miss Mary Culbreth.

LOCAL SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Large Number of Vessels Arrived and Departed Yesterday from Wilmington.

Yesterday was quite a busy day in marine shipping and a number of vessels arrived and departed from the port. The *Skuld*, of the "Sprunt line," came in from Ghent, Belgium, in the morning with part cargo of cement and will take a berth at the Champion Compress for a cargo of cotton from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

The British steamship *Cairnross* has finished discharging her cargo of pyrites at Navassa and has been cleared in ballast by Messrs. Sprunt & Son for Pensacola, Fla.

The Norwegian barque *Passat* was cleared in the afternoon for Liverpool by Messrs. Heide & Co., with a cargo of 1,500 bbls. rosin and 4,956 bbls. tar, valued at $11,000, by Messrs. Alex. Sprunt & Son.

The Norwegian barque *Sonora*, 534 tons, Capt. Tellefsen, arrived at Southport for Wilmington at 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon and is consigned to Messrs. Heide & Co. She will in all probability load with naval stores.

The British schooner *Blomidon* was cleared by Messrs. George Harriss, Son & Co., with a cargo of 289,113 feet of lumber for Macoris, San Domingo. The cargo is by the Kidder Lumber Company.

The British schooner *Ravola*, 130 tons, Capt. Forsyth, arrived at quarantine at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Havana, Cuba. She is light and will be loaded with lumber by the Chadbourn Lumber Company.

The tug *Protector* with barge *Carrie L. Tyler* in tow from Charleston with phosphate rock for the Virginia Carolina Chemical Company passed up from Southport at 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

THE NEW SAVINGS BANK.

Will Open Monday—Deposits Made Now Draw Interest from April 1st.

The remodelling of the new home of the Guardian Safety Trust Company on North Front street opposite the postoffice is well under way and as announced several days ago the bank will be open for business Monday morning.

In an announcement in this morning's STAR the management gives notice that deposits made on or before Monday will draw 4 per cent. interest from April 1st and that deposits will be received to-day by Mr. H. C. McQueen, the president, or Mr. F. W. Dick, cashier. To-night deposits may be made at the Murchison National Bank.

Funeral of Mr. B. F. Boykin.

From the late residence, No. 514 Princess street, yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, the funeral services over the remains of the late B. F. Boykin were conducted by Rev. J. N. Cole, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, in the presence of a goodly number of friends and relatives of the deceased and family. The interment was at Oakdale Cemetery and the following gentlemen acted as pall bearers: Messrs. Owen Fennell, Nathan Schloss, C. W. Polvogt, W. W. Hodges, C. W. Yates and T. O. Bunting.

Left for Albemarle.

Mrs. J. B. Mercer and children left Thursday morning via Greensboro for Albemarle, N. C., to be at the bedside of Mrs. Mercer's mother, Mrs. L. C. Lilly, who is seriously ill. They were accompanied by Miss Spinks, of Albemarle, who has been the guest of Mrs. Mercer in the city for some time.

NEW SECRETARY HERE.

Mr. W. W. Turner, of Chattanooga, Arrived Last Evening to Accept Position With the Y. M. C. A.

Mr. W. W. Turner, the newly elected general secretary of the Wilmington Young Men's Christian Association, arrived last evening at 6 o'clock over the Atlantic Coast Line and will enter upon his work here Monday, April 1st. Mr. Turner was met at the station by a committee of Y. M. C. A. members and was welcomed to his new home in Wilmington.

The new secretary is a member of the Baptist church and is a Y. M. C. A. worker of note, having been engaged at different times in Richmond, Cincinnati and Chattanooga. He resigned the secretaryship of the Y. M. C. A. in the latter city to come to Wilmington and under his administration here it is expected that new life will be infused into the local organization.

Monday night a reception will be tendered Mr. Turner in the Y. M. C. A. building by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Association and a delightful evening is anticipated.

Realizing the large number of friends of the Association and the Woman's Auxiliary, and feeling that should an attempt be made to personally invite them all that some omission might occur, Mr. W. L. Latts, president of the Association, furnishes the STAR with the following, which is cheerfully published:

To the members and friends of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Young Men's Christian Association:

It gives me much pleasure to announce that on Monday evening, April 2nd, from 8 to 10:30 o'clock, a reception will be given to Mr. W. W. Turner, who has accepted the call to the general secretaryship of our Association. Mr. A. G. Knebel, State Secretary, is also to be present and a most cordial invitation is extended to all. While the Auxiliary has made some special arrangement for our entertainment, we hope to make the evening quite informal."

THE WRONG COMMISSIONER.

Mecklenburg Endorsed Mr. J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville, Through Mistake.

A STAR representative was shown a telegram received here yesterday stating that the vote in the primaries for Corporation Commissioner in Mecklenburg a few days since showed a majority for Hon. Franklin McNeill, of this city, and that it would be so counted. The message further stated that the initials "J. D." was a clerical error, and that Mr. Franklin McNeill is the one endorsed for the office.

The Charlotte *Observer* of yesterday says:

"It is an official fact that at the primaries held in this county last Tuesday Mr. J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville was formally selected by ballot as the county's choice for one of the two corporation commissioners that are to be nominated at the State convention. It is equally certain that Mr. McNeill is not a candidate for the position, and that, therefore, no one in Mecklenburg intended to vote for him.

The truth is there was simply a mistake as to initials. The man that the voters of this county intended to support is Mr. Frank McNeill, of Wilmington, the present chairman of the corporation commission.

When the error was discovered yesterday morning there was considerable flurry over the matter, and it was decided that the central committee should exercise its executive function to the extent of declaring that the vote would be considered as having been cast for Mr. Frank McNeill.

If this proceeding will not be considered as sufficiently effective the mistake may by rectified easily by the unanimous action of the county convention to-morrow.

Yet nothing can eliminate the fact that political honors are easy with Mr. J. D. McNeill, for, without the seeking, he obtained the full strength of the Mecklenburg Democratic vote.

ROGERS-GRILLEY RECITAL.

Entertainment in the Star Course at the Y. M. C. A. Next Wednesday.

The following was the STAR'S comment upon the visit of the Rogers-Grilley combination to this city season before last.

The second entertainment of the Stars course—the Rogers Grilley Recital—was presented before a large and representative audience at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium last night. Each number on the programme was heartily applauded, and both Mr. Rogers and Mr. Grilley were compelled to respond to numerous encores, which they did in the most pleasing manner. Mr. Rogers is undoubtedly a master of the harp, and when, in response to an encore, he rendered that dear, familiar Southern air, 'Dixie,' it seemed as though each member of the audience vied with his neighbor in an effort to show his appreciation of both the rendition and the selection. Mr. Grilley, as an entertainer, undoubtedly stands at the head, and his rendition of the ghost scene from 'Rip Van Winkle' forcibly brought to the minds of the audience the last engagement in this city of the dean of the dramatic profession—Mr. Joseph Jefferson—in that character."

The box sheet for this entertainment opens Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock at the Association building and closes Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock, when the recital will commence promptly at 8.30 P. M.

Bad Negro Bound Over.

Burt Green, the negro charged with assault with a deadly weapon upon the sailor Ludvick Hansen, and with having stolen a watch from him in Dross Neck several months ago, was bound over for trial at the Criminal Court by Justice McGowan yesterday afternoon and in default of $50 bail he was committed to jail.

— Mr. F. R. Corbett, a prominent merchant of Kerr, N. C., spent yesterday in the city, calling on the wholesale merchants.

THE MYSTIC CHAIN.

A Very Flourishing Lodge of This Order Instituted in This City Last Night.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEMBERSHIP.

Secret Work Exemplified by Deputy Supreme Organizer M. Summerfield, of Norfolk—Officers Chosen for the Ensuing Year.

Wilmington Lodge No. 140, Knights of the Mystic Chain, was instituted last night in Germania Hall with a membership of 183 persons, 142 of whom were present to be conducted through the mysteries of the order, which was done in "great shape" by Supreme Organizer M. Summerfield, of Norfolk; Deputy Organizer C. F. Bozorth, of Philadelphia, and C. W. Phillips, of Providence, all of whom arrived in the city about two weeks ago and interested a number of representative and leading citizens of Wilmington in the benefits of the order to such an extent that they presented themselves at the lodge room last night "to ride the goat" over the byways and highways that mark an entrance into the knighthood of the "Mystic Chainers."

The Second Regiment band, which joined the fraternity in a body, assembled in uniform in front of The Orton last evening and escorted the candidates for membership to the hall on Dock between Water and Front streets, where the new lodge was installed. A temporary team was chosen by Mr. Summerfield to exemplify the secrets of the order and twenty of the candidates for initiation, four of whom were used as follows: Mr. Fred W. Dick, in the first degree; Mr. H. W. McCall and Mr. W. A. Whitney in the second and Mr. Albert Solomon in the third.

The purposes of the Knights of the Mystic Chain are, in few words, charity, moral and development, social enjoyment, protection, assistance to its members and the personel of the lodge instituted last night speaks for itself.

Officers for the new lodge for the ensuing twelve months were chosen at the meeting last night as follows:

Past Commander—E. H. Sneed.
Commander—Dr. J. H. Dreher.
Vice Commander—Geo. L. Peschau.
Marshal—J. S. Williams.
Recorder—A. S. Holden.
Treasurer—R. S. Collins.
Committee on By-laws—A. S. Holden, Geo. D. Peschau, E. H. Sneed.
Committee on Location—J. M. McGowan, R. S. Collins, Benj. Bell.

Owing to the lateness of the hour, the selection of the remaining officers was postponed until a meeting to be held next week. In the meantime Mr. Summerfield authorizes the STAR to say that the charter list will remain open and there is yet a chance for those who may wish to come in as charter members.

Tuesday night Mr. Summerfield and his assistant organizers will tender to the Second Regiment Band an elaborate banquet at The Orton. The lodge instituted last night is the largest organization of a fraternal body in the city and the material entering into the make-up of the new order in Wilmington is especially complimentary to Mr. Summerfield, who has shown discriminating judgment in his selection of the large number of charter members.

New Guns for Naval Reserves.

Requisition has been made by the Wilmington Division Naval Reserves for an equipment of "Lee Improved Straight Pull" rifles to replace the hand arms formerly in their service, which were turned over by them to the Mount Olive and Windsor divisions of the N. C. Naval Brigade. There has been some delay in the shipment of the equipment to the Wilmington division, but the guns are expected along in the very near future. They are of the same pattern as the regular marine guns and the Wilmington division, so far as is known, will be the only company in the brigade to receive them.

The Benbow House,

The Hotel Guilford, of Greensboro, has just been completed on the site of the famous old Benbow House which was destroyed by fire some months ago. It was formally opened to the public yesterday by Mr. Howell Cobb, the proprietor.

THREE QUESTIONS.

First—In 1898 Brunswick was entitled to the Senator from the Tenth district as per agreement or custom in such cases, and she named Hon. W. J. Davis, when possibly George Bellamy or some other gentleman from Brunswick would have suited New Hanover better; but acting in her perfect good faith New Hanover cast her 45 votes solidly for Brunswick's choice. *Did she do wrong?*

Second—This year New Hanover is entitled to the nomination and the people at their primary election, a full vote being cast, have said George L. Morton is their choice; if Brunswick, forgetful of New Hanover's generosity in 1898, should defeat the wishes of this majority, *will she do right?*

Third—If the Brunswick delegation should set the precedent of defeating the will of a majority of the county to which the nomination belongs, and New Hanover, following her example, should combine her larger delegation in future and defeat the wishes of the Brunswick Democracy and name the man from Brunswick of their own choice, could Brunswick complain?

Go slow, gentlemen, and set no precedent you will not be willing to live up to in future.

COMMON SENSE.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. P. M. Rentfrow, of Mount Olive, was here yesterday.

— Mr. Almon Hart, of Washington, N. C., is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. W. Rawlinson, of Congaree, S. C., is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. B. Baldwin, of Rocky Point, arrived in the city last evening.

— C. J. Miller, of Castle Haynes, was among yesterday's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. D. A. Bughman, of Fort Smith, Ark., is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. I. Ham, A. C. L. agent at Castle Haynes, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

—Mr. Samuel Powell, of Charleston, was being greeted by his many friends in the city yesterday.

— Mr. R. G. Cashwell, of Elizabethtown, was a passenger on the steamer *Hurt* which arrived yesterday.

— Messrs. B. B. Boykin and Clyde Herring, of Clinton, were among yesterday's arrivals at the Bonitz House.

— Miss Anna D. Slagle left yesterday morning for her home in Quincy, Ills., to the regret of her many friends in Wilmington.

THE COUNTY CONVENTION.

Will Convene To-day at Noon in the Court House—An Interesting Contest Expected Over Senatorship.

A large attendance is expected today upon the New Hanover Democratic County Convention which will be called to order at noon in the Court House.

The STAR on yesterday referred to the State Senatorial complications and published a list of the delegates to the meeting to day. The differences between Messrs. Meares and Morton with regard to the Senatorialship are already familiar to STAR readers and a repetition of the contentions of both sides is superfluous. At the meeting to-day a date will be named for the district convention which will probably settle the controversy unless an appeal be taken by either side to the Democratic State Executive Committee and delegates to said convention will be named, as will also be chosen delegates to the State Convention in Raleigh, April 11th.

It is also expected to day that endorsements will be made of a candidate for the United States Senate and probably several State officers will be instructed for at the State Convention at Raleigh.

Tileston School Exercises.

The Utopian Literary Society met at the usual hour yesterday in its hall at at the Tileston High School building. It was unanimously dicided to hold the meeting of the Society semi-monthly in the future and after the transaction of the usual business, the following programme was rendered:

"John Ruskin," by Rufus B. Futch.
"Ruskin as an Artist and Critic," by Miss Edna Toomer.
"The Dawn of Peace," by Miss Mattie Keen.

The boys of the Tileston High School are arranging to form a Tennis Club.

Church Notices.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at the evening service.

Rev. L. W. Curtis will fill his regular Sunday appointments at Greenville Sound at 11 A. M., East Wilmington at 3.00 P. M. and Delgado Mill at 7.30 P. M.

Immanuel Church: Services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. by Rev. Edward R. Lane. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.30. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All welcome.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor, 11 A. M., "The King's Highway." At 8.00 P.M., "The Voyage of Life—Adrift on the Black Wild Tide."

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 8.00 P. M. conducted by Rev. E. E. Gillespie. Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Second Advent Baptist Church, between Castle and Church streets. Preaching by the pastor, Elder E. Fisher, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Friday nights at 8. Strangers and visitors cordially invited. Seats free.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 8.00 P. M. Sabbath school at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, situated on Fifth street between Nun and Church. Rev. John H. Hall, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Sunday School afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets, Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School, J. H. Davis, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STAR COURSE.
Rogers-Grilley Recitals.
(Harpist-Impersonator.)
Wednesday, April 4th, 1900.
Admission 50 cents, including reserved seat.
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NEW SAVINGS BANK.
DON'T FORGET that Deposits made on or before Monday next, draw 4 per cent. From April 1st.
Deposits received to-day
By H. C. McQueen, President, or F. W. Dick, Cashier. And at Murchison National Bank this (Saturday) night, March 31st.
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543 Pairs
ALL STYLES AND ALL SIZES
Duttenhofer's Shoes
Call early, Ladies, and get your choice in style and fit.
Ladies' Lace and Button,
$2.00, $2.50 and $3.00.
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$2.00.
Be sure to call for Coupons for Premium.
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We have unsurpassed facilities for handling business at Lowest Prices.
WE OFFER ON SPOT
800 Bags Prime Mixed Corn,
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Prices are right and wejsolicit orders.
WE ARE THE AGENTS HERE FOR
J. P. SQUIRE'S CHOICE BELLIES,
Which have no equal on any market. We have sold these goods for many years, and notwithstanding statements to the contrary, you can always find them in our stock.
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PROVISIONERS.
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DO YOU WEAR PATENT LEATHER SHOES? THEN BUY ONLY
Heyle's Patent Calf,
THE BEST THERE IS. WE HAVE IT IN ALL SHAPES.
Solomon's Shoe Store.
WE CLOSE AT 7 EXCEPT SATURDAYS.
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NOTICE.
Democratic County Convention
All Delegates elected at the recent Primaries are hereby summoned to meet at the Court House in Wilmington on Saturday, March 31st, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of ratifying the Nominations made at the Primaries for the General Assembly and for County Officers and to transact such other business as may come before them.
By order of the Democratic Executive Committee. D. McEACHERN, Chairman
W. A. WRIGHT, Secretary.
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Smoked Shoulders.
2000 Lbs. Nice Smoked Shoulders.
5000 Lbs. Plates.
25000 Lbs. D. S. Sides!
100 Bbls. Pork.
Also, some Seed Oats, Seed Potatoes and Groceries.
Ask for prices.
D. L. GORE CO.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS,
mar 18 tf Wilmington, N. C.

NEW YORK, MARCH 24, 1900.
Removal Notice.
Commencing Monday, April 2d, Clyde Line Steamers for Wilmington, N. C., and Georgetown, S. C., will occupy Pier 45, North River, north side Christopher St. Ferry, in conjunction with Clyde Line Steamers for Charleston, S. C. and Jacksonville, Fla.
WM. P. CLYDE & CO., General Agents.
THEO. G. EGER, T. M. mar 26 1w

WARREN'S Steam Bakery and Cafe....
All kinds of Bread and Fancy Cakes.
Orders for Wedding Cakes promptly filled.
Meals served on European Plan at all hours.
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'Phone 246. 'Phone 346
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DO YOU WANT A HAT RACK?
If so, you can get one this week at your own price and on your own terms.
N. F. PARKER,
Furniture and Furniture Novelties,
No. 17 South Front Street.
Messenger and Dispatch copy. mar 21 tf

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon 1 6:25 a. m. | Full Moon 16 3:12 a. m.
First Quarter 8 0:34 a. m. | Third Quarter 24 0:36 a. m.
New Moon 30 3:30 p. m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 31.

A REMARKABLE ADMISSION.

Senator Frye, of Maine, takes a great deal of interest in the ship subsidy job. He stands sponsor for it in the Senate, as Representative Payne, of New York, does in the House. We think Senator Frye drew it up for Hanna, and being its sponsor in the Senate it is called the Hanna-Frye bill, as it is also called the Hanna-Payne bill, as Payne stands sponsor for it in the House. There are some ship yards in Maine which may possibly account for Senator Frye's zeal in behalf of the ship builders and his efforts to accomplish this $9,000,000 a year grab from the American people. But sometimes men permit their zeal to get the better of their discretion, as he did his when he uttered the following in his remarks on the subsidy job a few days ago. Defending the scheme he said:

"American shipbuilders can get their materials as cheaply as their foreign competitors. It is the high cost of labor in our shipyards which prevents this country from building ships for all the world. Our labor is deserving of protection, and so is our shipping industry. If our ships remain unaided to the extent that other nations aid their ships, ours may disappear from the sea altogether. A good many of our free trade friends would rather pay foreign ships $200,000,000 a year forever than make it possible for American ships to secure that trade by giving them adequate protection for a few years."

If this had been uttered by an ordinary politician, at an ordinary town meeting, it might not attract any attention, but being uttered by one of the leading Senators and the President of the Senate, it commands attention both as a very remarkable utterance and a very remarkable admission at the same time. It has been contended by the subsidy advocates that European ship builders can build ships cheaper than our builders because they have cheaper materials, cheaper labor and cheaper everything. But Senator Frye differs from them and narrows it down to a mere difference in the cost of labor when he says our ship builders can get their materials as cheaply as their foreign competitors, but it is the cost of labor that prevents them from becoming the ship builders of the world.

Let us see how this pans out. Nine millions of dollars a year is the amount of bonus the subsidy bill which Senator Frye is advocating calls for. This he asserts represents the difference in the cost of labor in the ship building business for this country as compared with the cost of labor in other countries, on the presumption, we suppose, that we had yards enough to compete with the yards on the other side. This is doubtless, in appearance at least, a difference in the cost of labor, but does any sane person suppose for a moment that it would require $9,000,000 annually to make good the difference? And this, it must be noted, is for ship yards that would engage in competing with foreign ship yards in the building of ocean-going ships, as our yards for building coasting vessels and vessels for lake transportation do not come in here. Of course this is too absurd for anything, and it is as false as it is absurd.

It isn't the cost of labor that makes ships built in this country cost more than ships built in other countries but because having no competition on this side our ship builders put up the price and are not satisfied with a moderate profit, as the European builders are. Some time ago when one of the Cramps was visiting one of the yards in Scotland he gave the cost of labor as the reason why American ship builders charge more for ships than the English and Scotch yards do, when the Scotchman answered "No, sir; it is not the cost of your labor, it is because you American builders charge about 35 per cent. more than we do, and pocket the extra yourselves." That was Scotch bluntness, but it was the truth. The English or Scotch, or Irish, or German builder is satisfied with a small profit on his work, but the Americans wants a big profit, as much in one year as his foreign competitors would expect in three.

It has been said, and there may perhaps be some truth in it, that American capital has not been put into ships very largely, because it could be more profitably invested in other ways, in the building of railways, operating mines, and in other schemes which paid large dividends, and while they, American capitalists, were thus engaged, Europeans were building ships and getting control of the ocean carrying business.

But aside from the absurd statement about the cost of labor, there are other untruths in this utterance of Senator Frye. There is none of the European nations that pay subsidies as it is proposed to pay them in this Hanna-Frye or Hanna-Payne scheme. Some of them pay subsidies, or what they call in England subventions, to some vessels for carrying the mails and giving quick service to ports with which England has considerable commerce, but there isn't ten per cent. of England's shipping that gets anything in the way of subsidies, although she has more ships and builds more than any other two countries in the world. Neither does Germany, which is classed as a subsidizer, pay any subsidy to vessels engaged in carrying freight only. In both England and Germany the vessels known as "tramps," which do the bulk of the carrying trade, receive no government aid whatever, and the others that do are required to render an equivalent by carrying the mails or doing other service. But all the subsidizing nations on the earth together do not pay the amount of subsidy in a year that this American grand steal calls for annually. No wonder that bill is growing in disfavor when advocates of Senator Frye's standing indulge in such rot as we have quoted.

SMALL MANUFACTORIES.

In the rush for cotton mill building in the South other industries, as a general thing, have not attracted the attention they should, although in some localities there is evidence of progress in this respect. Cordele, Georgia, is one illustration of this, concerning which we clip the following from the Atlanta *Journal*:

"The thriving young city of Cordele owes much of its prosperity to the fact that it has a variety of small manufactories and is increasing this element of its strength. The Cordele *Sentinel* finds upon investigation that these small concerns pay an aggregate of $5,500 in wages every month.

"The people of Cordele have determined to build at once a cotton factory which will distribute not less than $2,000 a month among its operatives. Thus the time is practically in sight when the manufacturing establishments of Cordele will be turning loose every thirty days in the neighborhood of $9,000 to $10,000.

"There are many other towns in Georgia which, like Cordele, are largely sustained by small manufactories. These are both profitable to those who have their money invested in them and support a good part of the local population.

"While we are rejoicing in the increase in the number of Georgia's great industries, let us not overlook the humbler ones. They are a source of much good to many a Georgia community.

Diversified industries are to the town or city what diversified farming is to the country. They are both of inestimable value not simply on account of the wealth they create, but on account of the opportunities they offer the energetic and industrious, and the increase of avenues opened for their betterment. Adding to the opportunities for remunerative employment, these industries not only keep at home the industries young people who would otherwise seek employment elsewhere, but also draw industrious people from other localities and thus add to the growth and importance of the towns.

The additional population must have houses to live in, must have clothes to wear and food to eat, and the money for all these is distributed and goes into circulation in the towns and thus their trade and prosperity grow, and continue to grow as the industries increase and grow.

There are numerous manufacturing industries for which the South offers excellent advantages, which could be started with a small capital and all of which have in them large growing capacity. As an illustration, take the furniture manufacturing industry in North Carolina. It isn't many years since this was started as a venture, and now there are numerous manufacturing establishments in the State, all of which seem to be doing a profitable business, sufficiently profitable to stimulate the establishment of similar plants in various localities. From small beginnings some of those plants at High Point and elsewhere have grown to large proportions, shipping their work to numerous States in addition to doing a large home trade. There are numerous other industries as easily started and quite as promising as this, if attention were turned to them.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing that it has cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, and get a 10 cent trial bottle. Regular size 50 cents and $1; every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

DRYING PREPARATIONS simply develop dry catarrh; they dry up the secretions which adhere to the membrane and decompose, causing a far more serious trouble than the ordinary form of catarrh. Avoid all drying inhalants and use that which cleanses, soothes and heals. Ely's Cream Balm is such a remedy and will cure catarrh or cold in the head easily and pleasantly. All druggist sell it at 50 cents or it will be mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., N. Y. †

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PAINE'S CELERY COMPOUND

REV. ELWOOD SCOTT OF CARTHAGE, IND., WRITES:

"My nerves have been so distracted and broken down by overwork that I have had but little rest, pleasure or comfort. I have been obliged to entirely suspend my ministerial labors for nearly a year. Some said try Paine's Celery Compound. I did so, and I am glad to say I am now almost well and have resumed my ministerial duties. I can eat almost any kind of food and digest it without any trouble, and I do not have that harassing pain in my head."

FOR THE TRUSTS.

It has been apparent from the first that the tariff legislation proposed by the Republicans in Congress for Porto Rico is for the benefit of the Sugar Trust and other protected interests, but the more the discussion progresses the more apparent this becomes. There is proof enough on record to show that this policy was decided as a result of the testimony of Mr. Oxnard, the beet sugar manufacturer of California, and others who appeared before the Senate Committee. But it was candidly admitted in the speech of Senator Foraker, when he said that "beyond Porto Rico come the Philippines."

But every day gives additional proof of this. Thursday among the amendments offered to the Porto Rico bill was one by Senator Bacon, of Georgia, providing that there be no duties levied on products of Porto Rico coming to the United States, or on products of the United States going to Porto Rico, but that on all products going into Porto Rico from other countries the same duties shall be levied as are levied on products of those countries coming into the ports of the United States; that is that Porto Rico should be treated in the matter of the tariff just as other parts of the United States are by giving her free trade with the United States but not with other countries.

What proposition would be fairer than that? But it wasn't acceptable to the representatives of the Trusts and other protected interests because that would admit to our ports free of duty Porto Rican sugar, Porto Rican coffee, Porto Rican tobacco, Porto Rican fruits, and other products in which there are tariff duties for the benefit of certain interests in this country. And yet these Representatives of the Trusts and combines have the audacity to pretend that they are doing the fair, square, honest thing by the people of this country and of Porto Rico.

Conorhimuso augursuga is coming north from his habitat in Mexico and New Mexico. He is a blood sucker, a little red-headed fellow, which carries poison with him, too, like the "kissing bug" which performed some time ago.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness headache and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Every bottle guaranteed. †

For over Fifty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other. †

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BOOK NOTICES.

The Atlantic Monthly for April presents a varied and entertaining list of contents, embracing an interesting paper on "The Forests of the Yosemite Park," and one on "Co-operation in West." Published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 11 East Seventeenth streeth, New York.

The April, or Easter number of *The Ladies' Home Journal* is a superb one, a gem both in illustration and in the reading matter presented. As usual, the domestic and other departments of which it makes special features, are valuable as well as entertaining. Address The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Southern Farm Magazine contains much matter of interest and value to the Southern farmer, written by men identified and familiar with farming in the South. In addition to this there is miscellaneous matter in which the general reader will be interested. Published by The Manufacturers' Record Company, Baltimore, Md.

The literary reader will find much to interest him in the April number of *The Bookman*. "Chronicle and Comment" is as usual instructive and valuable, while those who keep up with the drama will find much to interest them in "The Drama of the Month." The sketch of the "Great Newspapers of Continental Europe" is continued. Published by Dodd, Meade & Co., Fifth Avenue and 35th street, New York.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—69 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—21 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels rosin, 39 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—44 bales cotton, 184 barrels rosin, 26 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—173 barrels tar, 9 casks spirits turpentine, 77 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—5 casks spirits turpentine, 42 barrels rosin, 113 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—18 casks spirits turpentine, 50 barrels rosin, 142 barrels tar.

Steamer Seabright—2 casks spirits turpentine.

Total—Cotton, 310 bales; spirits turpentine, 49 casks; rosin, 355 barrels; tar, 320 barrels; crude turpentine, 10 barrels.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., March 31, 1900.

SCHOONERS.

Ravola (Br), 130 tons, Forsyth, Havana, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
D J Sawyer, 288 tons, Kelly, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Lois V Chaples, 192 tons, Medero, J T Riley & Co.
Wm F Campbell, 169 tons, Strout, J T Riley & Co.
Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, George Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Skuld (Nor), 913 tons, Olsen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BARQUES.

Sonora (Nor), 584 tons, Tellefsen, Heide & Co.
Chas Loring, 525 tons, Blatchford, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Doon (Br), 786 tons, Spurr, Heide & Co.

BARGES.

Carrie L Tyler, 538 tons, Jones, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.
Maria Dolores, 610 tons, Bonneau, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.

— Ulterior Design: "See how I can count, mamma," said Kitty. "There's my right foot. That's one. There's my left foot. That's two. Two and one make three. Three feet make a yard, and I want to go out and play in it!"—*Chicago Tribune.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Greenville *Reflector*: Mrs. Nicy Smith, wife of Mr. William Smith, after a long illness, died Tuesday at her home near Renston.

— Kinston *Free Press*: The Kinston Cotton Mills commenced this week putting in about 1,000 more spindles. When these are put in place the total number of spindles will be 6,100.

— Jonesboro *Progress*: The grippe has "come down like a wolf of the fold," and there is scarcely a family in town that has not at least one member suffering from it. It is attributed to the rapid changes in the weather which we have experienced for some time.

— Stanly *Enterprise*: Farmers are rather disheartened over the continued wet weather. Many have planted Irish potatoes, but a large number have not even done this and the work is getting badly behind. Small grain has suffered much from the cold weather, oats especially.

— Chatham *Record*: The Fusion leaders in Chatham are certainly very badly scared, if we may judge from their desperate efforts to retain their control of the county. They are having speakings and meetings not only in the day but every night or two, and are doing their utmost to induce some of the white men of Chatham to vote with the negroes against the amendment.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Judge Ewart, who is in the city, says that his appointment as United States district judge will be confirmed by the Senate in spite of an adverse committee report. He is not yet convinced that the committee will be against him but he says even if it is he will be confirmed. —— The exodus of negro women from this city continues Twelve have gone this week—5 Tuesday and 7 yesterday. Others will leave to day. They go to New York where they are in great demand as cooks, waiters and house maids. Those who are here securing the services of these women say they want all of them that they can get.

— Harnett *Democratic Banner*: Capt. John W. Hays, who made the survey on the Cape Fear river last winter is now with part of the same force, making a survey of a railroad from Duketon, on Mr. Angier's road to the Cape Fear river and strike the river near Purifoy Ferry, about three miles above Lillington. We are informed that another line will be surveyed from some point on the same road that will run by Chalk Level to Buck Horn Falls on the Cape Fear river. One of these lines will probably cross the river, more than likely, to the lower line near Lillington. We are not informed which way it will go from the river.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Listen real hard, and after a little you will hear the Republicans make the discovery, that Gen Hancock once did, that the tariff is a local issue.—*Norfolk Virginian—Pilot, Dem.*

—— Aspiring statesmen should not be discouraged. The price paid by the Hon. Montana Clark is by no means the average valuation of a Senatorial seat. On the contrary, the Montana Senator was the victim of a gross extortion.—*Baltimore Herald, Dem.*

—— It is beginning to look as if some of the Republican officers in Kentucky did have knowledge of a plot to assassinate Goebel and that they were disposed to help it along. Further than this, "Gov." Taylor's deliberate tender of a pardon to Caleb Powers, his Secretary of State, before the latter's conviction is a high-handed act that will increase popular indignation in Kentucky and contribute to the widespread disgust elsewhere. So far as we know, the act of pardoning a man before he has been found guilty is an innovation.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

— "What are the natural resources of Porto Rico?" asks the man who seeks knowledge. "Immense," answered Senator Sorghum. "I understand that the island is full of inhabitants who can be made to pay taxes if we go about it the right way."—*Washington Star.*

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, March 30.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 53 cents per gallon bid for machine made casks and 52½ cents bid per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market nominal at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Holiday

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	49
Rosin	355
Tar	320
Crude turpentine	10

Receipts same day last year.—57 cask spirits turpentine, 751 bbls rosin, 344 bbls tar, 49 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9½c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16 cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8 7-16 " "
Low middling	9 1-16 " "
Middling	9½ " "
Good middling	9⅝ " "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—310 bales; same day last year, 34.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70 cents; extra prime, 75 cts. per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 53 to 53½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co.:

STOCKS.

	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110	113¾
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	138	...
A. C. L. of S. C.	123	...
Wilmington & Weldon	188	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	139	...
N. C. R.	137	160
Wilmington Compress Co	...	10
Delgado Mills	109¼	110
Wilmington Cotton Mills, ptd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co	107½	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co	...	107½
National Bank of Wilmington	112	115
Atlantic National Bank	103	...
Murchison National Bank	112	...
W.I. Savings & Trust Co	115	...
Wachovia Loan & Trust Co	...	...
Bank of Lauringburg	...	...
Henrietta Mills	200	225
Blue Ridge National Bank	110	113

BONDS.

N. C. 4's	106	108
N. C. 6's	...	140
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1922	112	115
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 5's 1919	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	100
Wilmington Compress Co. 8 8's	66	...
Wilmington & Weldon 6's	116	...
A. C. L. 4's	100	...
N. H. County 5's, gold, 1907	...	106½
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FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Money on call steady; actual transactions were at 3½@4¾ per cent., last loan at 4¼. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼ for demand and 483¼@483½ for sixty days. Posted rates 483½ and 487. Commercial bills 482¼@483. Silver certificates 60¼@61¼. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds were weak. State bonds firmer. Railroad bonds were firmer. U. S. refunding 2's (when issued) 104¼; U. S. 2's, reg'd, 100¾; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110½; do. coupon, 110½; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 134½; do. coupon, 134¼; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 115¼; do. coupon, 116¼; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 114¾; do. coupon, 114¾; N. C. 6's 127½; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 112¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 61½; Chesapeake & Ohio 32½; Manhattan L 95¼; N. Y. Central ex div 137⅝; Reading 19½; do. 1st prefer'd 62¾; St. Paul 133¾; do. preferred 171½; Southern Railway 15½; do. pref'd 60¼; American Tobacco, 106; do. preferred 138; People's Gas 106¾; Sugar 109¾; do. preferred 108; T. C. & Iron 97; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 73¾; Western Union 83½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Rosin was steady; strained common to good $1 70. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, March 30.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels.

SAVANNAH, March 30.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53½c bid; sales 153 casks; receipts 309 casks; exports 298 casks. Rosin unchanged. Pales nominal; other grades firm; sales — barrels; receipts 1,326 barrels; exports 751 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The action of to-day's cotton market reflected hesitation on both sides and the volume of business was not large. Cable accounts showing a further decline in spots and futures at Liverpool with Manchester yarns easier and cloths very dull, were unsatisfactory. The opening here was barely steady at unchanged prices to a decline of four points. For a time business was exceptionally dull and entirely local. A spurt of covering followed the sudden drying up of liquidation sales, the local bear contingent being easily alarmed. Prices advanced six to eleven points from the lowest without developing much speculative interest on the buying hand. Something like a relatively firmer temper was given to the new crop positions by uneven accounts respecting the status of cotton planting. During the afternoon the professional contingent was in control, without, however, showing much disposition to press matters. Early in the day houses with Wall street connections were occasionally conspicuous as buyers; but there was no special feature in the trading at any time. Much of the business was for the purpose of changing interests from the old crop to the new crop months. There was some buying of the crop positions on the idea that they had been oversold. The market closed quiet and steady at four to eleven points net advance.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 9¾c.

Cotton futures closed steady: March 9.25, April 9.27, May 9.27, June 9.22, July 9.21, August 9.11, September 8.42, October 8.17, November 8.02, December 8.02, January 8.03, February 8.04

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 9¾c; middling gulf 9¾c; sales 3,550 bales.

Net receipts 300 bales; gross receipts 2,114 bales; exports to the Continent 2,913 bales; exports to France 495 bales; stock 134,193 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 11,591 bales; exports to Great Britain 20,954 bales; exports to France 495 bales; exports to the Continent 9,009 bales; stock 576,937 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 80,312 bales; exports to Great Britain 53,987 bales; exports to France 15,561 bales; exports to the Continent 52,668 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,923,151 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,861,021 bales; exports to France 634,276 bales; exports to the Continent 2,075,313 bales.

March 30.—Galveston, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 930 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts 393 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9 13 16c, net receipts 1,189 bales; Boston, quiet at 9¾, net receipts 972 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 310 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 9¾, net receipts 34 bales, Savannah, quiet at 9¾, net receipts 1,669 bales; New Orleans, easy at 9¼, net receipts 4,967 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9 5 16c, net receipts 680 bales; Memphis, quiet at 9 5-16c, net receipts 369 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 676 bales; Charleston, nominal at 9¾c, net receipts 311 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 30.—Flour was firm but quiet as buyers held off, hoping to secure concessions. Winter patents $3 65@3 90; winter straights $3 45@3 55; Minnesota patents $3 70@3 95, Minnesota bakers $2 85@3 00; winter extras $2 60@2 90; winter low grades $2 25@2 40. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 80½c; options opened easy, owing to the break in provisions and larger Argentine shipments, but soon rallied and for the balance of the day were very firm, closing ½c net higher. Bulls were aided by renewed buying for St. Louis account; crop damage rumors and general covering by early sellers. Sales included: No. 2 red May closed 74c; July closed 74¼c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 45¼c; options opened weaker as a result of lower provision prices, but they rallied later on a general speculative demand, large export orders and covering. Closed strong at ½@⅝c advance. May closed 44½c; July closed 44¾c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 28¾c; options dull but steady; May closed 28¾c Lard quiet; Western steam $6 75; refined quiet; Continent $6 95; South American $7 25; compound 6@6½c. Pork firm; family $14 00. Petroleum steady. Butter weak and unsettled; Western creamery 21@25c; State dairy 19@24c. Eggs firm; Southern 11@12c at mark; Western 12c at mark; State and Pennsylvania 12@12½c at mark. Potatoes—Market quiet; New Jersey $1 25@1 50; New York $1 50@2 75; Long Island $1 50@1 75; New Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75. Rice steady. Freights steady. Cheese quoted steady; fancy large white 13c; fancy large colored 13@13¼c; fancy small white 13@13¼c; fancy small colored 13¼@13½c. Cabbage quiet. Tallow quiet. Cotton seed oil was firm and fairly active, with prices somewhat higher. Prime crude in barrels, 33½@34c; prime summer yellow 37c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 37@39c; prime winter yellow 39c; prime white 38@39c; prime meal $26 50@27 00. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 7 invoice 7¾c; No. 7 jobbing 8¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@14c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 31-32; centrifugal 96 test 4 15 32; molasses sugar 3 25 32c; refined irregular.

CHICAGO, March 30.—The wheat market was strong and fairly active to-day, influenced by reports of damage from abroad and the strength of corn, May closing ¼@½c over yesterday. The corn market was broad and active, with a good export demand, May at the close being ½@¾c up. Provisions were active in a sort of way, but hogs were weaker, and this, together with profit-taking, depressed the market, the close being 5c to 7½c lower. Oats closed ½c improved.

CHICAGO, March 30.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 3 spring —; No. 3 do. 63@66c; No. 2 red 69@70c. Corn—No. 2, 38@38½c. Oats—No. 2 24½c; No. 2 white 27c; No. 3 white 27c. Pork, per barrel, $12 05@12 70. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 30@6 42½. Short rib sides, loose, $6 60@6 80 Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 85@7 00. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 25

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 March —, 66⅞, 66⅞, 66⅞, 66⅞c; May 66¾@66⅝, 67⅜@67½, 66⅝, 67¼@67⅜c; July 67⅞, 68¾@68⅞, 67⅞, 68¾@68⅞c. Corn—No. 2 March —, —, —, 37½c; May 38@38½, 38⅞, 38@38½, 38⅜c; July 38¾@38¾, 39¼, 38¾, 39⅝c; September 39½, 40, 39, 39⅞@40c. Oats—May 24¾, 24¾, 24¼@24¾, 24¾; July 23¾, 24¼, 23⅝@23¾, 24@24½c. Pork, per bbl—May $12 62½, 12 97½, 12 60, 12 70; July $12 27½, 12 45, 12 17½, 12 25. Lard, 100 pounds—May $6 45, 6 50, 6 40, 6 43½; July $6 55, 6 57½, 6 50, 6 53½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 62½, 6 70, 6 62½, 6 65; July $6 52½, 6 57½, 6 50, 6 55.

BALTIMORE, March 30.—Flour inactive, steady and unchanged. Wheat steady—Spot and March 73¾@73¾c; May 73⅞@74c; Southern wheat by sample 70@75c. Corn strong—Spot and March 42½@42¾c; April 42¾@43¼c; May 42¾@42¾c; Southern white and yellow corn 42@43c. Oats steady—No. 2 white 30@30½c; No. 2 mixed 28@28½c.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 30, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in limited demand; prices 1-16d lower. American middling fair, 5 21-32d; good middling 5 7 16d; middling 5¾d; low middling 5¼d; good ordinary 5 1-16d; ordinary 4⅞d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export, and included 6,200 American. Receipts 1,000 bales, including 800 American.

Futures opened easy and closed steady at the decline. American middling (l. m. c.)—March 5 18 64@5 19-64d seller; March and April 5 17 64d buyer; April and May 5 14 64d buyer; May and June 5 11-64@5 12 64d seller; June and July 5 9 64d seller; July and August 5 6-64d buyer; August and September 4 62-64d seller; September and October 4 44 64d buyer; October and November 4 34-64d buyer; November and December 4 28-64d seller; December and January 4 26 64d seller; January and February 4 24 64@4 25-64d seller.

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The last had not been exactly a friend of the deceased, for he had been his rival for Olla's hand and had never forgiven Laas for having carried off the prize.

But now that Laas was dead, Oge remained with the watchers in order to show that he did not carry hard feelings beyond the grave, which was very noble and kind of him, to be sure.

And so all five, the widow and her mother, the two friends and Oge, sat together, silent and sorrowful.

After awhile Onni rose and approached the table. He drank a glass of punch and said in mournful accents:

"We are all sad, very sad; but we must not forget the necessity of the flesh. You permit, Olla?"

Olla readily permitted, and the others drew round the table, on which was not only good Swedish punch, but a liberal provision of eggs, ham and other smoked meats and great, flat loaves of the hard Swedish bread.

They all ate and drank and wept together.

The night wore on. The clock struck 2, but it was not yet dark. The white night lay over Lauritsala, the bright summer night of Finland in which Koit and Aemorik, dawn and twilight, kiss each other. Below lay the quiet Saima lake, which reflected the rosy glow of the sky. Stillness reigned in the watch chamber. All except Olla and Oge were asleep, with their heads on the table, and Olla and Oge sat gazing at each other with a new light in their eyes.

"Come," Oge whispered, "let us leave them sleeping here and go down by the lake."

She clasped his hand and they went out together. The others slept calmly on.

Through the window the dawn looked into the chamber where the dead man lay so still. Somebody had forgotten to draw the sheet over his face, and the beams of the rising sun fell full upon it. Dear, good Laas in this light looked quite handsome and not in the least like a corpse.

A little fly was buzzing about him. It alighted on his hair, but not finding that region to its liking, it crawled over his forehead and down his nose and at last entered his nostril.

Now it is an exceedingly unpleasant thing to have a fly up one's nose, and Laas evidently thought so, for he suddenly sneezed twice with great violence, and then he opened his eyes and sat up.

He gazed about him stupidly at first—for a fellow is apt to be a little rattled on awaking from the dead—but he gradually got his bearings and understood.

Ah, he thought, how glad his wife would be to see him alive again!

He climbed out of bed and shivered in the cool morning air, for he was very lightly clad. So he picked up the sheet, wrapped it tightly around him and went forth to look for his wife.

He felt a trifle dizzy, but people who rise from the dead must put up with a little discomfort at first. In the next room he found the watchers still sound asleep and the remains of the punch and other good things on the table.

Laas was very hungry, but he was determined to find his wife first of all things, which was certainly very good of him.

He walked out of the house door. Outside the dew was sparkling on the grass, fine clouds were floating over the lake, which gazed up at the overhanging verdure like a great, bright, blue eye.

The cocks were crowing lustily. Down by the lake Laas saw the gleam of a white kerchief that he knew very well, for he had given it to Olla.

Ah! There she sat, weeping for him!

Laas picked up the skirts of his winding sheet, the end of which trailed on the ground behind him, and stalked down to the lake with mighty strides.

Yes, Olla was there, but Oge Ilander was there, too, and their heads were very close together.

Suddenly the lovers were startled by Laas Kapiaisen's hand coming between them from behind and falling with a loud thwack on Oge's cheek. They sprang to their feet, regarded the sheeted Laas with horror stricken eyes for an instant, then fled in panic fear without uttering a syllable.

One ran to the right, the other to the left along the shore of the lake, and Laas stood gazing angrily after them by turns.

He shook his fist at the fleeing Oge and muttered to himself, "That fellow never enters my house again!"

Then, with a sorrowful mien and much shaking of the head, he went slowly back to the watch chamber. There the flies were awake and buzzing, but the three watchers were still asleep.

And Laas, with his rueful countenance and his white, winding sheet, sat down beside them at table, and, to the accompaniment of their snores, regaled himself with ham and eggs and mighty drafts of his much loved Swedish punch.—Translated From the German For Short Stories.

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"Oh, yes. If you let him have his own way about everything, he's delightful."—Detroit Free Press.

In ten years American life insurance companies have doubled their assets, the amount rising from $657,128,642 in 1888 to $1,344,901,198 in 1898. The increase has been decidedly the greatest since prosperity returned to the country.

A New York M. D. takes occasion to assert in a newspaper communication that "if cats were trained so that a child's throat could be covered over night with an ordinary house cat men in my profession would have less trouble with membranous croup and diphtheria."

The abolition of the penny postage stamp is the latest proposal that has been made to the English postoffice for the improvement of the system. It is suggested that a form of automatic machine should be employed with a slit into which the letter should be inserted.

The hull of the oldest steam vessel on the Pacific coast and the second tugboat built in the United States were made a bonfire of on the West Seattle beach to the delight of a large number of excursionists. The vessel was the Goliah, built in New York in 1848 by W. H. Webb.

The most curious place in the world is the Alhambra, Spain. It was originally a fortress, so great in extent as to be capable of holding 40,000 men. It was begun in 1248 and finished in 1314. It contains numerous halls and courts, all decorated in the highest style of Moorish art.

AMERICA'S FIRST GEORGE.

How He Tried to Run Away From His Admirers.

Washington was not churlish, but he had that preference for being unobserved that develops at times into a longing in a man whose life is spent in public. He quitted the Macomb house on the morning of Aug. 30, 1790. The servants were instructed to steal away at dawn, to have the carriages and luggage over the ferry at Paulus Hook by sunrise. By candlelight, Mrs. Washington, the children and the secretaries assembled in the morning room.

The president entered, pleased with his stratagem. He was enjoying in prospect his concealed departure. Immediately under the window suddenly struck up on the still morning air the blaring, vigorous notes of an artillery band. From the highways and byways scurrying people appeared. To witness his first step outside the door a thousand goggling, affectionate eyes watched.

"There!" cried the general, in half comic despair—I cannot think altogether displeased. "It's all over; we are found out. Well, well! They must have their own way."

It was the "general" they waited to see, not the president. They lined the roadway from house to barge, recording every movement in observant brains. (A distinguished man can never know which of his audience is to be his biographer. It may be one of the "supers" on the stage rolling off the carpets.) The thunder of artillery could not drown the living shout that rose from the throats of the people as Washington was borne off with the rise and fall of the oars gleaming in the cheerful sun. His voice trembled as he bade the assembled crowd farewell. Though chary of appealing to it, the love of the people never failed to move him deeply.—Harper's Magazine.

Melba Won Him.

A well known English novelist expresses as follows the impressions he received from hearing Mme. Melba in "Lucia:"

"I went to scoff. I remained to pray. I confess my previous folly. A welcome change has come over the spirit of opera. The tawdriness of Covent Garden, the undisguised contempt for dramatic effect, the awful penny-in-the-slot chorus has hitherto kept one away. On my rare visits I have shut my eyes and tried to figure the singers standing before me in reputable evening dress. On Saturday night, however, I kept my eyes open as well as my ears and was edified. Mme. Melba is wonderful. Her voice lingered all through Sunday and drowned the various Salvation Army bands and other hideous kinds of music that pass my residence on the day of rest. And Mme. Melba can act. Were she not handicapped by her priceless voice she might be one of our great tragic actresses. I almost forgot the fact that Lucia in the flesh did not habitually converse with her associates in elaborate song."—San Francisco Wave.

Wedding Supper In Cairo.

After a Mohammedan wedding the bridegroom sees the face of his unknown bride for the first time in her apartment. As he enters the bride salutes him by kissing his hand. Her head is covered by a veil, which he removes, at the same time presenting jewels to her which are termed "the price of the uncovering of the face." He then spreads the veil on the floor and kneels on it while he says a prayer, the bride in the meantime standing on its edge behind him. At the close of the prayer they seat themselves side by side upon a divan, and an old attendant shows them in a mirror the reflection of their united faces. Supper is eaten by the happy pair alone, but not until the bride, after every device known to the bridegroom is used, can be induced to speak. Once she utters a word he claps his hands, and supper is brought to them. Meat is not used at this meal because of a belief that it would lead to future bickering between them. Eggs, sweets and fruits are served.

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Farm of 143 Acres

in Long Creek village, Pender county—25 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; six-teen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

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in New Hanover county on navigable stream; borders tide water. Three clearings on place—one of 25 acres with house and outbuildings on same; two of 20 acres each; balance well timbered. Twelve miles from Wilmington. Four miles from Castle Hayne, a station on the W. & W. R. R. The nearest point of the land to the Newbern railroad is two miles.

House in Kenansville.

One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

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A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in profitable grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

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A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE WILMINGTON & WELDON RAILROAD CO.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 24th, 1900.

The Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company have declared three and one-half per cent. interest on the Certificates of Indebtedness of that Company due and payable on and after April 1st, 1900, to all holders of record of this date.

The transfer books will stand closed from March 24th to April 1st, 1900, inclusive.

JAMES F. POST,
mar 25 to apr 1 Treasurer W. & W. R. R. Co.

SOUTHEASTERN RAILROAD COMPANY.

SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Railroad Company have called a Special Meeting of the stockholders of the said company, to be held at the company's office in the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, at 12:30 o'clock P. M. on Friday, the 20th, day of April, A. D., 1900.

JAMES F. POST, Secretary.

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JAMES F. POST, Secretary.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 14, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11.50 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.15 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.33 P. M., Petersburg 5.48 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Norfolk 5.05 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.27 A. M., Richmond 5.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.00 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.18 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †3.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.32 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.23 P. M., Magnolia 4.45 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 5.55 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 P. M — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.23 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.06 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M. arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Marion 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M. Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.53 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 73, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.06 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.06 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.59 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.35 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10.00 A. M., 2.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Fee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.56 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Fee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 8.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.55 P. M., 10.38 P. M. arrive Selma 2.43 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.05 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M. Fayetteville 12.30 P. M. 8.52 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

H. M. EMERSON,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.

J. R. KENLY, Gen'l Manager.
T. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST.		STATIONS.	GOING WEST.	
2 Pass'g'r Trains			4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 33	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 23	7 27

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 31.

REPUBLICAN PARTISANSHIP

Shown by Speaker Henderson—Rumor That Linney Will Be Candidate for Governor of North Carolina.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 30.—The members of the North Carolina delegation to-day were asked what they thought of the rumor that Representative Linney would make the run for Governor, and were unanimous in saying that they hoped it was so, but did not think such good luck would befall them. They all seemed to think that the "Bull of the Brushes" has given up all hope of ever carrying his Congressional district, even if nominated.

The people of the Asheville and Wilmington districts should not feel surprised at what is termed Republican partisanship in the consideration of the pending election cases. Nothing has more clearly shown how far the Republicans will carry partisanship than the recent action of Speaker Henderson in refusing to allow Judge Rhea, of Virginia, to preside over the eulogies of Representative Epes, his dead colleague.

After such action they should be ready to expect most anything in the line of partisanship.

THE MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

New Orleans Exchange Statement Showing Receipts, Exports and Stocks as Compared With Last Year.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, March 30.—Secretary Hester's weekly cotton exchange statement shows a decrease in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year of 48,000 bales, a decrease under the same time year before last of 20,000. The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 89,407 bales, against 137,848 for the seven days ending this date last year, and for the thirty days of March it has been 519,926, against 596,787 last year.

The total movement for the 214 days from September 1st to date is 8,212,944 against 10,044,329 last year, and 10,243,194 year before last.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all U. S. ports 6,041,278 bales, against 7,642,730 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada, 1,100,650, against 1,160,953 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 82,202, against 336,832 last year, and Southern mill takings were 988,814, against 904,014 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 121,095, against 90,423 last year, making the total thus far for the season 4,663,780, against 6,210,388 last year.

The total takings of American mills, North and South and Canada, thus far for the season, have been 3,071,935, against 3,875,939 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading interior cities have decreased during the week 81,109 bales, against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 31,046 bales.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop, the supply to date is 8,831,842, against 10,311,895 for the same period last year.

The Visible Supply.

NEW ORLEANS, March 30.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease for the week just closed of 104,555 bales, against an increase of 44,104 last year. The total visible supply is 3,499,734 bales, against 3,608,289 last week and 5,231,371 last year. Of this, the total of American cotton is 2,810,734 bales, against 2,892,289 last week and 4,074,371 last year; of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 698,000 bales, against 716,000 last week and 157,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 1,881,000 bales, against 3,067,000 last year; in Egypt, 187,000, against 252,000 last year; in India, 329,000, against 651,000 last year, and in the United States, 1,103,000, against 1,261,600 last year.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, March 30th, 1900.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending March 30th, 1900:

	1900.	1899.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	80,312	100,932
Total receipts to this date.....	5,932,151	7,584,869
Exports for week..	122,216	89,043
Total exports to date.....	4,570,619	6,141,063
Stock in all U. S. ports.....	758,937	776,400
Stock at all interior towns.....	310,060	453,692
Stock in Liverpool,	662,000	1,727,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	171,000	78,000

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 30.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1899: Galveston, 1,618,133 bales; New Orleans, 1,663 841; Mobile, 190,207; Savannah, 1,014,532; Charleston, 247,909; Wilmington, 266,999; Norfolk, 359,246; Baltimore, 80,905; New York, 86,075; Boston, 58,492; Newport News, 15,337; Philadelphia, 42,105; Brunswick, 90,437; Port Arthur and Sabine Pass, 53,190; Pensacola, 110,893. Total, 5,843,489 bales.

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It Sparkled With Wit and Caused a Laughing Tumult on the Floor and in Galleries.

DEBATE ON PORTO RICO BILL.

Senator Proctor Made Forceful Argument in Favor of Free Trade With the Island—Senator Pettus Criticised the Measure.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Merriment swept away the traditional dignity of the Senate to-day. Staid sticklers for Senatorial decorum literally held their sides and shouted with laughter, while the crowded galleries joined in the laughing tumult, which not the faintest effort was made to restrain. Senator Pettus, of Alabama, the oldest member of the body—his age being only a few months short of four score years—delivered the funniest speech heard within the Senate chamber in many years. It sparkled with wit and bubbled over with humor. Its sarcasm was keen but not bitter, and even those who were the victims of it could not but enjoy its perfect good humor and its unalloyed fun. Throughout it all, Senator Pettus was as solemn as if he were delivering a funeral oration.

Senator Proctor, Republican, Vermont, delivered a forceful argument in support of free trade with the island of Porto Rico. Considerable progress was made with the Porto Rican measure during the day, most of the committee amendments and several offered by Senators being disposed of. Senator Depew, New York, and Senator Spooner, Wisconsin, gave notice they would speak on Monday on the Porto Rican bill.

Consideration of the Porto Rican bill was then resumed and Senator Proctor spoke. He approved the civil government feature of the pending bill and regretted that on account of the tariff provision he could not vote for it. As to the free trade proposition creating a precedent for the Philippines and Cuba, he said it will be time to cross those rivers when we reach them, and he predicted the crossing then would not be difficult. Congress, he said, is a creature of the constitution and not the reverse. Continuing Senator Proctor said: "Porto Rico and its people came under the sovereignty of the United States by force of the treaty with Spain, and I think that all will agree that if any part of the people of the island levied war against the United States or adhered to our enemies, etc., they should be guilty of treason. But treason is not exclusively defined constitutional crime, and it cannot exist on the island unless the constitution that defines it is in force there.

"The people believe, as the President did when he wrote in his annual message, that 'our plain duty is to abolish the customs tariff between Porto Rico and the United States.'

Continuing, Senator Proctor said: "We levy this tribute upon a people who are in the direst poverty and distress, resulting in a large part from our very action in taking possession of their island and destroying the existing markets for their products and opening no other, and to this is added, by the hand of the Almighty, the terrible destruction of the tornado.

"If this bill becomes a law, it will stand greatly in the way of the development of that little island. It leaves the future in uncertainty; for if we levy a tax of 15 per cent. the next Congress may levy a tax of fifty per cent. If we adopt free trade it will be accepted by everybody as a definite policy towards Porto Rico. Capital and enterprise will go there freely, but uncertainty will paralyze industry."

Senator Pettus' Speech.

Senator Pettus then spoke, first discussing constitutional features of the measure. "We are governed," he said, "in our relations with these territories by the law of nations so far as they are applicable. The idea is that when territory is ceded to a nation that nation cannot necessarily exercise the powers of its former owners. It must exercise sway in accordance with its own limitations. When we took these islands we took them with the limitations of exercising only such power over them as was possible in the conditions of the United States."

From this time forward Senator Pettus' speech was personal in its application. "I was very much entertained by the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. Gallinger) yesterday," he said, "when he informed us that he was not a lawyer, and he proved it to us, not only by asserting it, but by his argument. Lawyers know that when you come to read a decision of a judge you must take all he says on a subject; that it will not do to take a sentence here and there; but that is exactly what the Senator did in quoting Justice Bradley in the Mormon church case."

He went on to relate an anecdote illustrative of his point, in which a preacher of the old time—when the Senator was a boy—had figured in Alabama. "The minister," he said, "was as learned in the Bible as my friend from New Hampshire is in the law. [Laughter.] He said: 'Brethren, my text to-day will be the following: 'Seven sons did Milcah bear unto Enon.' Now I expect, brethren,' the preacher went on, if you would look to the commentaries you would find various meanings to this text; but taking a common sense view of it, I will say this: 'I expect that Enon was sick and the doctor told his seven sons, great strong fellows, that it was absolutely necessary that he should have milk for his nutriment; and thereupon the seven sons went out to look up the cows. The cows had not come up the night before and so the sons could not find them; but they came across a bear and they milked a bear and carried the milk to Enon; and so, brethren, it is writ, 'seven sons did milk a bear unto Enon.'

"That preacher," concluded Senator Pettus, amid an outburst of hearty laughter, "had as accurate a conception of the Scriptures as some of our Senators have of the law of the land."

Senator Pettus then referred to Senator Beveridge's speech yesterday as marvellous and said:

"When you get a genuine orator he is absolutely absolved from all rules of logic or common sense. [Laughter.] When it is necessary in the fervor of oratorical flourishes to prove any proposition true or false, rules of common sense and the decent observance of what is due to others must not stand in the way of maintaining 'my reputation' as an orator. If it is necessary I must draw on my imagination for facts and on my memory for flights of fancy, as 'Ovid Bolus' did. When an orator speaks he has a right in the fervor of his oratory, here in the United States Senate, in reference to the Republicans and Democrats and Populists, and any other men who may choose to take a seat here, to speak of them as enemies to the government. He has a right to speak of them. The government, in his mind, is 'me and my wife, my son John and his wife; us four and no more.'" [Laughter.]

Consideration of the amendments was resumed, and at 4.45 P. M., the Senate adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House devoted the day to war claims. The bill to remunerate the British Cable Company for expenses incurred in repairing the Manila cable, cut by Admiral Dewey, which was under consideration several weeks ago, was consigned to oblivion, as was the bill to refer to the Court of Claims the claims of citizens of certain border counties of Pennsylvania who suffered losses during the various incursions of Confederate forces into that State during the civil war. This bill has been before Congress for over fifteen years and involves about $3,450,000. Three bills were passed: To refer the claims of George W. Lawrence (involving $17,000), in connection with the construction of the monitor Wassaue to the Court of Claims; to refer the claim of Hiram Johnson and others for cotton burned in East Tennessee by the Confederate forces to the Court of Claims. By a curious coincidence Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, who commanded the Confederate forces which destroyed the cotton in East Tennessee, for which the government is now to pay, occupied a seat on the floor when the bill was passed. The bill involves about $31,000.

The House early resolved itself into committee of the whole to consider these claims. When the Pennsylvania citizens claim came up, Chairman Mahan, of the War Claims Committee, explained the losses were in property taken or destroyed during the civil war by Stuart's raid in 1862, Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania of 1863, and Early's raid in 1864, when Chambersburg was destroyed. All these claims, he said, had been proved under acts of the Pennsylvania Legislature. They were based upon the constitutional guarantee of the United States to protect the States against invasion. If the court decided that the claimants had no rights, that was the end of the matter.

By a vote of 26 to 53 the committee refused to lay the bill aside with a favorable recommendation, and it was laid on the table—53 to 27.

The conference report on the Diplomatic and Consular appropriation bill was presented and adopted.

The House affirmed the action of the Committee of the Whole in each instance.

Saturday, April 21st, was set aside for paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Settle, of Kentucky.

At 5.05 P. M. the House adjourned.

BATTLE WITH ARABS.

French Troops Victorious—Killed Many of the Enemy With Slight Loss.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, March 30.—An official account has been issued of the victory of the French troops over the Arab army at Inrahr, which assembled with the object of attacking the French expedition which recently occupied the oasis of Insalah, southwest of Algeria. The French learned of the scheme and decided to storm the enemy's position, which was successfully carried March 19, by a column led by Lieutenant Colonel Eu. The town was first bombarded and then stormed, the Arab warriors making their last stand in the mosques. They left six hundred men killed and one hundred wounded on the field. In addition 450 prisoners were taken. The French losses were nine native soldiers killed, thirty-eight wounded and two officers wounded.

SMALLPOX IN DAVIE COUNTY.

Judge Robinson Petitioned Not to Hold Court at Mocksville.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WINSTON, N. C., March 30.—Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson, upon arriving here this afternoon from Allegheny county, was met by a committee and presented with a petition signed by members of the bar of Mocksville and county officers, requesting him not to hold Davie Superior Court next week, on account of the prevalence of smallpox in the county. It was reported to the Judge that there were about twenty cases near Mocksville and that one negro died with the disease this morning. Judge Robinson will render a decision to-morrow.

SHOOTING AT WILSON.

Negro Named Hunt Shot by J. D. Farrior, a Prominent Citizen.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILSON, N. C., March 30.—About 8 o'clock to night a man named Hunt, a negro, was shot four times by J. D. Farrior, a prominent business man. Hunt may die. Hunt threatened in two letters to kill Farrior, and his friends claim was attempting to execute his threats, and that the shooting was in self-defence. Valuable property of Mr. Farrior was burned on November 9th, and Hunt was tried for the crime. Farrior was active in the prosecution.

COLOR LINE AT PITTSBURG

Case of a Restaurant Keeper Who Refused to Entertain Negroes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, PA., March 30.—The jury in the case of Assistant District Attorney Walter F. Billows, colored, against William J. McCarthy, a prominent restaurant keeper, who refused to served a meal to Billows and his companion, Congressman George W. White, of North Carolina, also colored, returned a verdict to-day in favor of the plaintiff for six and a quarter cents. Billows asked $5,000 damages.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Cornell baseball team defeated the University of Georgia at Atlanta by a score of 20 to 8.

At Durham yesterday LaFayette turned the tables on Trinity College, winning the ball game by a score of 10 to 8.

Officials of the Seaboard Air Line have notified the South Carolina Railroad Commission that the new road from Cheraw to Columbia will be ready for inspection April 12th.

Total bank clearings at the principal cities of the United States for the week ended March 30th, were $1,729,850,870; a decrease of 3.8 per cent. Outside of New York city, $576,742,206; an increase of 1.0 per cent.

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BRITISH ATTACK THE BOER FORCES.

A Fight Near Bloemfontein in Which the British Lost a Hundred Men.

BOERS RETIRE TO BRANTFORD

Kruger Threatens to Bombard and Destroy Bloemfontein—Gen. Roberts' Advance on Proteria Delayed by Lack of Transportation.

By Cable to the Morning Star

LONDON, March 31, 4.15 A. M.—The head of the army of Lord Roberts is now about twenty-one miles north of Bloemfontein. It occupies a cluster of hills won from the Boers after a stiff fight, in which the British lost seven officers and one hundred men.

The Boers had been using these kopjes as a base for marauding bands that have been beating up the country adjacent to Bloemfontein for supplies, driving off cattle and forcing non resistent Free Staters into their ranks again. The enemy must have been in considerable force, as Lord Roberts sent 8,000 infantry and 3,000 cavalry against them.

This is understood to be the reason why he recalled Lord Methuen from Barkley West to Kimberley. Lord Roberts had to have Metheun's transport.

Lord Roberts's progress to Pretaria will probably consist of a series of such forward movements, in which Boer positions will be attacked by a portion of the army advancing rapidly with wheel transport, the main army coming up as the railway is repaired.

Lord Roberts is stripping the forces in the minor spheres of operations of their wagons and transport animals in order to hsten the advance.

The reason why a hot chase was not made after Commandant Oliver is that Lord Roberts did not wish to wear out the cavalry transport. General French lost 3,000 horses in the relief of Kimberley and in the pursuit of General Cronje. Lord Roberts lost 3,000 transport cattle at Watervaal [drift, and it is estimated that he has lost 4,000 other animals since the forward movement began on February 13th.

The rebellion throughout the northwest districts of Cape Colony is almost suppressed.

The Goth will sail to day (Saturday) with 600 men for St. Helena, to guard General Cronje and 4,000 prisoners.

Fighting Near Brandfort.

LONDON, March 30.—The War Office has issued the following from Lord Roberts to the Secretary of War:

"*Bloemfontein, March* 30, 2:05 *P. M.*—Owing to the activity of the enemy on our immediate front and their hostile action toward the burghers who surrendered under the terms of my proclamation, I found it necessary to drive them from some kopjes they had occupied near the Karee siding station, a few miles south of Brandfort. The operation was successfully carried out by the Seventh (Tucker's) division, assisted by the First and Third cavalry brigades under French and LeCallain' regiment of mounted infantry. The enemy retreated to Brandfort and our troops now hold the kopjes.

"Our casualties were: Scottish Borderers, killed, Capt. Going; wounded, Capts. Sellar, Luard, Peebles, Curgenven and Edwards; Lieutenants Coulson and French, and about one hundred rank and file."

Kruger to Bombard Bloemfontein.

LONDON, March 31.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of the *Daily Chronicle*, telegraphing Thursday, March 29th, says:

President Kruger's latest proclamation warns the women and children to leave Bloemfontein within five days, as he intends to bombard and destroy the city and to shoot the burghers whom he captures there.

RUSSIA AND KOREA.

Formal Demand for Concession of a Coaling Station—Bound to Provoke Japanese Opposition.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 31.—The *Times* has the following from Seoul, capital of Korea:

"M. Payloff, the Russian minister, recently demanded from Korea the concession of a coaling station to a Russian steamship company at Atkinson Pont, commanding Masampo harbor, and to prevent a counter claim by Japan of a neighboring area, he demanded that Korea should not alienate in any form any portion of Kojedo island to any other nation.

"Yesterday, at an imperial audience, for reasons not giving but surmised, M. Payloff modified his original demand, asking instead of Atkinson Pont another site within the treaty limits of Masampo. This demand is unobjectionable. At the same time, however, he insisted on the non-alienation of Kojoede. His action indicates that Russia claims the reversion of this island, which is of high strategical value, as commanding the Korean straits and it is bound to provoke Japanese opposition."

A THEATRE FIRE.

Columbia Play House in Chicago Burned No Lives Lost—Narrow Escapes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, March 30.—The Columbia theatre, an old and popular play house, was destroyed this afternoon. Total loss $190,000. It is attributed to hot coals dropping on the floor on the sixth floor apartments of the Iroqueis Club, the leading Democratic Club of Illinois, and it spread rapidly. In the rush for the street three women were overcome. A fireman and a policeman were injured. A Klaw and Erlanger Company, headed by "Rogers Brothers in Wall Street," was rehearsing, and twenty men and women in costume rushed to the street and found shelter elsewhere. Many gallant rescues were made. The losses are mostly protected by insurance.

FUNERAL OF GEN. JOUBERT.

Universal Mourning in Pretoria—British Officers Sent a Wreath.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PRETORIA, March 29.—The funeral of General Joubert took place this afternoon and was attended by all classes. The foreign military attaches (in uniform) were among those present, and the British officers who are prisoners here sent a wreath. There were universal signs of mourning.

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MURDER TRIALS IN RALEIGH.

Tom Jones, Negro Preacher, to Be Hanged May 11th—George Lee, Negro, Sent to the Penitentiary.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 30.—Two murder cases were to-day disposed of by the county court here.

After being out for seventeen hours, the jury to-day brought in a verdict of guilty in the case of Tom Jones, the negro preacher, who last week killed a mother and her five children, and then set fire to the house and burned the bodies. He was sentenced to be hanged here on Friday, May 11th.

George Lee, a fifteen year old negro boy, was found guilty of murder in the second degree for poisoning his sister with "Rough on Rats" last October, in an attempt to kill her husband, with whom he was mad. Lee was sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the penitentiary at hard labor.

TRAINS IN COLLISION.

Two Men Injured—One Fatally—Both Engines Were Demolished.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

OCALA, Fla., March 30.—The Homosasso train was wrecked last night at 7:30 o'clock by a head on collision with a wrecking train near the Withlacoochee river. C. D. Cotney of Americus, Ga., was frightfully crushed, dying an hour later. The engineer, J. M. Benton, was severely injured. Both engines were demolished.

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BANK OF FRANCE, - - - -	36,500,000
IMPERIAL BANK OF GERMANY,	28,560,000
BANK OF RUSSIA, - - - - -	25,714,920
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